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In re Application of: Achim KOHLER et al. Docket: 1999CH017
 Serial No.: 101670,622 Group Art Unit: 1731
 Filed: March 4, 2002 Examiner: Fortuna, J.
 For: SURFACE FINISHING OF PAPER OR BOARD, AND AGENT FOR THIS PURPOSE

RESPONSE UNDER
37 C.F.R. § 1.116
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EXAMINING CYCLE 1731

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 4, 2003, please reconsider the subject application in view of the following remarks and amendments.

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	Art Unit	1731
	Examiner Name	Fortuna, J.
	Attorney Docket Number	1999CH017

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